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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT)

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2004 in connection with the above-referenced application.

The Applicant believes that no extension of time is required since this response is being filed before the expiration of the specified time period. The Applicant, however, conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below, charge Deposit Account **04-1105** for any required fee.